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**Indice por orden alfabético de autores de las publicaciones del Instituto Geológico (1873-1919).** *Bol. Inst. Geol. de España*, Vol. 40 (Vol. 20, 2nd Ser.), 1919, pp. 5-64. Madrid.

The contents deal almost exclusively with Spain or Spanish possessions, including Cuba and the Philippines, held during the period covered by the bibliography.

T. H. D. LA TOUCHE, compiler. **A Bibliography of Indian Geology and Physical Geography, with an Annotated Index of Minerals of Economic Value.** Part I, xxviii and 571 pp.; Part II, ii and 490 pp. Published by order of the Government of India. Calcutta, 1917, 1918. 4 rupees each. 10 x 7 inches.

The author was Director of the Geological Survey of India from 1881 to 1910. The first volume of his present work takes the place of the bibliography compiled by R. D. Oldham and published in 1888. Arrangement in this volume is by authors. Only the minerals of economic value have been indexed as regards subject, and this index with valuable annotations constitutes Volume 2. The arrangement here is alphabetical with regional subdivisions. Numerical references in Volume 2 are to the bibliographical entries in Volume 1; hence it is necessary to use the earlier volume in conjunction with the later. Apparently the field covered includes regions contiguous to India: there are references to Afghanistan and the Malay Peninsula.

#### TWO GOVERNMENTAL REFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

G. P. MERRILL, edit. **Contributions to a History of American State Geological and Natural History Surveys.** xviii and 549 pp.; ill. (portraits), index. *U. S. Natl. Museum Bull.* 109, Smithsonian Instn., Washington, D. C., 1920. 9½ x 6½ inches.

This is a volume of historical interest as well as a useful work of reference. It follows along the lines of a work projected by the United States Geological Survey in 1885 but subsequently abandoned. In general the several histories terminate with the date 1885. More recent activities of the surveys have been given in the *U. S. Geol. Survey Bull.* 465 compiled under the direction of C. W. Hayes, 1911.

C. S. SLOANE. **Fifth Report of the United States Geographic Board, 1890 to 1920.** 492 pp. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 1921.

The volume embraces an account of the history and policy of the board, the report of the subcommittee on a system for transliterating Russian alphabetic characters in the spelling of place names, and all the decisions of the board from its establishment according to (1) general list, (2) Hawaiian names, (3) Philippine names.